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For: **CATOPTRIC PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM AND EXPOSURE
APPARATUS HAVING THE SAME**Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 3, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Petition for a one month Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith, extending the due date for responding to March 3, 2006.

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper;**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.